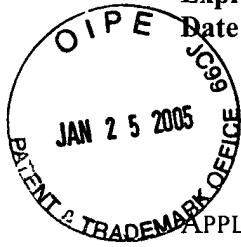


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Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Response to Non-Final Office Action, 11 pages;
2. Rule 131 Declaration of Dr. Jonathan M. Rothberg, 4 pages;
3. Exhibits 1-2 for the Declaration;
4. Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time, 1 page;
5. Check # 2446 for \$510.00 for Extension Fee;
6. Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (212) 935-3000.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311; Ref. No. 21465-501 CIP2. Please address all correspondence to Customer No. 35437. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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